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At page 1, the paragraph inserted before the "Technical Field" by the amendment dated April 14, 1999, has been replaced with the paragraph shown below:

RELATED PATENT DATA

This patent application is a continuation resulting from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/993,663, which was an application filed on December 18, 1997, now abandoned, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.